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**Amendments to the Claims:** 

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:** 

1. (Previously presented) A free-standing coil reel hold-down device, comprising:

a base plate operatively arranged to be secured to a floor;

a snubber arm having integral first and second sections arranged at an obtuse angle to one

another, said snubber arm pivotably mounted to said base plate at a first end of said first section

of said snubber arm and arranged for pivoting rotation about a pivot point proximate said base

plate; and,

an actuator mounted to said base plate, and arranged to effect a pivoting movement of

said snubber arm relative to said base plate, wherein said actuator is connected to said first

section of said snubber arm between said pivot point and said second section of said snubber

arm.

2. (Original) The coil reel hold-down device recited in Claim 1 wherein said first section of

said snubber arm is disposed proximate said base plate.

3. (Original) The coil reel hold-down device recited in Claim 1 further including a snubber

device mounted to said second section of said snubber arm.

4. (Original) The coil reel hold-down device recited in Claim 3 wherein said snubber device

comprises a wheel.

5. (Original) The coil reel hold-down device recited in Claim 3 wherein said snubber device

comprises a roller.

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- 6. (Cancelled)
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- 8. (Cancelled)
- 9. (Original) The coil reel hold-down device recited in Claim 1 wherein said obtuse angle is approximately 120 degrees.
- 10. (Original) The coil reel hold-down device recited in Claim 1 wherein said first section has a first length and said second section has a second length wherein said first length is approximately three times said second length.
- 11. (Original) The coil reel hold down device recited in Claim 1 wherein said obtuse angle is in a range of about 100 to 130 degrees.
- 12. (Original) The coil reel hold down device recited in Claim 1 wherein said snubber arm is arranged to pivot about said pivot point through an angle in a range of approximately 25 to 40 degrees.